Rocks community news notes

By CASSIE BALDWIN

It was a beautiful day last Sunday. You can tell fall is right here.

John Roach had a "Working match" at the family farm Saturday, September 15. The men cut winter wood, hauled it and stacked it for their father and grandfather Robert Rosch. They cleaned off the family cemetery and mowed it. They had 5 power saws going and several tractor trailers to haul it. The ladies brought a bountiful picnic lunch and served it to the hungry and tired men at 12:30. Those present were: Johnny Roach, Darrell Roach, Lou B. Roach, Robert Roach, Nellie Roach, Donald Rosch, Donny Roach, Rodney Roach, Annie Roach, Ann Marie Roach, an exchange student from Germany visiting Annie and Rodney this school year, Sharon Campbell, Paul Campbell, Lynn R. Carter, Brett Carter, David Stanley Roach, Theresa Roach, Rose Ann Roach, Tina Staton, Eva Staton, Sandra R. McIntosh, Glenn McIntosh, Barry Elder and Toby Inge. The gathering ended about 5 p.m.

Sympathy goes out to the Knott family and all relatives in the death of Wiley Hunter Knott who passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 18 in Lynchburg General Hospital. A funeral service was held on Thursday in Lynchburg in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jeter Wooldridge who won the Anniversary Cake from Food World at Appomattox on September 19. May they have many more. May the Lord Bless them.

Mr. Robert Saunders is a patient in Dukes Hospital in North Carolina. He had many relatives to come see him over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hipps received word that their daughter Kim had been in Calif. for two weeks and returned to Arizona safely.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harlow of Toano who have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Spain of Pamplin left Tuesday for their home in Texas.

Get well wishes go out to Ned Almond of Lynchburg and to his daughter Ida Dove. May they have a quick recovery.

Glad Mrs. Sharon Harris had a successful operation at Virginia Baptist Hospital on Tuesday morning. May she have a speedy recovery.

Get well wishes go out to Teresa Elder who is not feeling well.

Clara Joe Elder is doing much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson and Michael were dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Richardson in Cumberland last Sunday night, Sept. 16.

The Friendship Circle will meet with Mrs. Ruby Almond on October 2nd at 1:30 p.m.

The state mission goal was reached and exceeded at Rocks Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Spain will attend a wedding in Lynchburg Saturday night September 22.

Farmers are busy getting up hay and cutting tobacco. Better watch out the frost may catch you. Frost may come sooner then you think.

There will be no Sunday night preaching service at Rocks Baptist Church on September 30.

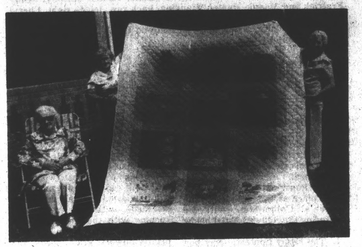
The community club will meet on Oct. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Glad Mr. Ed Mason, Sr. is doing better. He has been moved to a hospital in Delaware.

Work is moving along on Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Webber's new home.

Get well wishes go out to Otis Ranson who is sick.

The Baldwin and Letterman wedding was held at Elon Baptist Church Saturday, September 22. A large crowd attended.



A QUILT REPRESENTING DAIRY FARMING is displayed by Mrs. Betty Maxwell, standing left, and Mrs. Lorraine Torrence, standing right. The quilt, composed of 12 blocks representing sites on the H.E. Torrence and Son Dairy Farm in Appomattox was designed and made by Mrs. Maxwell and Mrs. Torrence. Mrs. Lave Torrence, seated, is the mother of Elliott Torrence and has lived on this farm for 70 years. She will be 90 years of age on her next birthday. (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

LOOKS A LOT LIKE A MOUSE, BUT IT COULDN'T BE.....everybody knows little girls are afraid of mice and Andrea Almond is bravely holding this 'mouse-like' thing while her brother Wyatt stands by. It's really a potato, grown on the farm of their grandfather, Toby Inge of Pamplin. Wyatt and Andrea are the son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Almond of Pamplin. Incidentally, Wyatt and Andrea's father is nicknamed "Spud". Wonder what they'll grow next year? (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

ARMSTRONG FURNITURE recently donated two pieces of furniture to be used in a fundraising contest sponsored by the Appomattox Dixie Youth League cheerleaders. Susan Bailey (right) is shown presenting one of the pieces of furniture to Elizabeth Harris and Brenda Thompson. Funds from the contest will be used to help the cheerleaders with equipment and uniform purchases.

County students get holiday

Appomattox County Public School students will not attend school on Friday, September 28. This date is scheduled in the school calendar to give teachers an opportunity to complete reports and to plan instructional activities.

During the 1984-85 session schools will be involved in a number of programs to benefit students. Emphasis during the year will be on basic learning skills, public relations, student conduct, evaluation of performance, and parental involvement.

Planning and implementing these programs require time for coordination. Therefore, Friday, September 28 will be a busy day for teachers and school administrators, while students have an opportunity for a long weekend.

Cannery schedule noted

The days that the school community canneries will operate have changed as follows:

Appomattox School Community Cannery - Tuesdays and Thursdays only, beginning the week of September 24.

Pamplin Cannery - Wednesdays only beginning the week of October 1.

A decreased volume of food processed has indicated that the above dates will take care of the canning needs. Persons interested in making stews, soups, apple butter, etc. where the use of a cooking kettle is necessary are requested to make appointments. A reservation will insure that a kettle will be available for use.

AES PTA slates meeting

The Appomattox Elementary School P. T. A. will meet on Tuesday, October 2, at 7:30.

Mr. Bob Cordani, president, will call the meeting to order in the auditorium. An outline of this year's plans and introduction of school personnel will be followed by an Open House. All parents will report to their child's classroom for a back to school session. Your teacher will conduct sample learning activities, discuss the curriculum, and review schedule.

Please attend this important meeting.

Pictures to be taken at AES

A spokesperson for the PTA is pleased to inform parents that Delmar Studios will take student pictures on Thursday, Sept. 27 at AES.

Those of you who wish to purchase color portraits may do so by allowing your child to pay at the time the day pictures are taken. A brochure has been sent home that describes the packages available.

It is important that each student come to school suitably dressed and groomed to capture a portrait which will be cherished for years to come.

School menu

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU
Students Choice

Oct. 1 - Cheeseburger W/catsup and pickle chips, French fries, Diced pears, Milk.
Oct. 2 - Country style steak, Green beans, Hot rolls, Creamy potatoes, Applesauce, Milk.
Oct. 3 - Sausage patties, Hot rolls, Ford Hook Lima beans, French fries, Diced peaches, Milk.
Oct. 4 - Pizza Boat, Baked beans, Cherry jello w/fruit, Milk.
Oct. 5 - Corndogs w/mustard, potato chips, Green peas, Peach cobbler, Milk.

APPOMATTOX MIDDLE SCHOOL MENU

Oct. 1 - Corn dogs, pork & beans, applesauce, cake and milk.
Oct. 2 - Steak-um, hash browns, mixed vegetables, milk.
Oct. 3 - Beans & franks, slaw, applesauce, roll and milk.
Oct. 4 - Chicken patties, whole potatoes, green beans, hot roll and milk.
Oct. 5 - Fish, macaroni & cheese, slaw, hot roll, milk.

Band Boosters slate meeting

The Band Boosters will have their regular scheduled meeting on Monday, October 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Band Room of the Appomattox County High School.

Please come and give us your support and help to make this one of the best band years ever.

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The South 40

Barley, oats can be seeded after next rain

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

It's dry but there will be a lot of barley and oats seeded following the next rain. Watch out for Hessian flies. Although I've found them to be a greater problem on wheat, they can appear on barley and oats. These insects can seriously reduce grain yields. There was a higher infestation level than usual last year: the warm fall likely was a major contributor.

Some states report that the problem is greater when planted minimum till or no till in soybean fields or fields containing grassy areas.

The wheat variety "Massey" has moderate resistance to the pest.

Di-Syston is labeled for control. It works better when applied 2 to 3 weeks after plant emergence.

Rye grass can be controlled in small grain. The new Hoelon label allows application when rye grass is in the one leaf stage to five leaves or 2 tillers. Rate is 1.33 to 2.66 pints per acre, depending on weed size. Control will be better as the weed gets larger.

Certain barley varieties are affected by Hoelon. Hoelon tolerant barley varieties are: Boone, Henry, Milton and Sussex.

Apply after Jan. 1. If applied in liquid nitrogen, be sure to use a fine spray to get good coverage.

Recertification classes for commercial and private applicators will be offered in several areas of the state this fall. If you have special category requirements, check with us for date and location.

We will offer private application training programs after harvest is over.

Stumpage prices for pine pulpwood averaged $11.50 in Central Piedmont in August; compared with $10 a month ago and $10.50 a year ago.

There's been an abundance of vegetables from the garden this year. Here's a short quiz and you may be surprised. Answers are at the end of this column.

1. What yellow garden vegetable, grown from seed, has the lowest amount of sodium?

2. Can you guess which leafy vegetable has the highest calcium content?

3. This one vegetable was found to be highest is both Vitamins A and C: Can you guess it?

4. This one's easy. The vegetable lowest in calories is?

5. The seeds of which two vegetables have the highest amount of iron?

6. This delicious seed (of an easily grown garden variety) is highest in fiber and fat content. Can you name it?

Effective January 1, 1985, there will be significant changes in the restricted noxious weeds for lawn and turf seeds.

The following kinds shall be restrictive noxious weed seeds and shall be declared on the label under the heading "Noxious Weed Seeds" according to Section 3.1.2d4 (1) (5) when present in bentgrass, Kentucky bluegrass, Chewings fescue, red fescue, hard fescue, varieties of perennial ryegrass, varieties of named turf type tall fescue, and/or mixtures containing these grasses. Such weed seeds are as follows: Orchardgrass, Annual bluegrass, Timothy, Velvetgrass. The following may be included as a labeled component of a mixture when excess of 5 percent of the whole; Benigrass (creeping, Colonial, Velvet) Bermudagrass, (Giant Bermudagrass), Meadow Fescue, Redtop and rough Bluegrass.

These changes reflect the naming of some traditional crop seed as noxious weeds when they occur in turf seeds.

EPA has announced that the following granular insecticides are certain to be reclassified as Restricted Use: Fonofos (Dyfonate); Terbufos (Counter); Ethroprop (Mocap); Phorate (Thimet); Carbofuran); and Disulfoton (Di-Syston).

All new labels of these pesticides after September 1, 1985 will state that they are restricted use pesticides. Existing products that are in the market channel before September 1, 1985, if not labeled restricted, can be purchased and used without certification until September 1, 1986. After that all such products are expected to be restricted.

Research by Virginia Tech scientists has achieved wheat yields in excess of 100 bu/acre each of the past three seasons on well fertilized, moderately productive soils.

Producing high wheat yields requires several changes in production practices, but the first change necessary is a special commitment for planning, seeding and timeliness.

For example: The optimum planning time for planting wheat is about one week before to one week after the first average frost. The optimum seeding rate when planted timely is 12 to 15 seeds per row foot in 4-inch rows and 20 seeds per row foot in 8-inch rows. Depending on seed size, this will likely be between 1.5 to 2.2 bushels per acer of seed. Slightly higher rates should be used when planting more than 2 weeks after the first average frost.

Answers to vegetable/vitamin quiz: 1) Sweet Corn; 2) Kale; 3) Hot Red Peppers (surprised!); 4) Crisphead lettuce; 5) Pumpkin and Squash seeds; 6) Sunflower seeds.

TC PEGGY LEE 3001 claimed the junior and reserve grand champion female banners at the 1984 Nebraska State Fair Angus show, Lincoln. She is owned by Sterner and Uden, Franklin, Nebraska; Northcote Farms, Forest, Virginia; and Kyanite Farms, Madisonville, Virginia. Judge Bill Able, Manhattan, Kansas, placed the 40-head exhibited. Photo by American Angus Association.

Happiness Is 4-H

By FRANK H. SWEET
Extension Agent

Sponsor sheets are now available for the American Cancer Society Bike-a-Thon. The ten mile bicycle ride will be held on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 21, beginning at 2 p.m. Sponsor sheets are available from the libraries at AES, AMS, and ACHS. Sponsor sheets are also available from the Travelers Inn Motel, Times-Virginian and the Appomattox Extension Office. Funds raised from the Bike-a-Thon will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Three trophies will also be awarded to the top fund raisers.

Jeannice Bartelt, a senior 4-H member and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Bartelt, will serve as chairperson for the Bike-a-Thon.

Jeannice is available to talk with any group about the American Cancer Society.

We would like to remind 4-H'ers that last year's projects are due by Oct. 1. Projects may be turned in during regular 4-H meetings or brought by the Appomattox Extension Office.

Karen Gilliam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Gilliam, participated in the Virginia State 4-H Horse Show in Richmond at the State Fair last week. Karen rode in the Plantation Pleasure class in the State Show. She is the first 4-H'er from Appomattox to participate in the State Horse Show in many years.

The 1984 Make-It-With-Wool Contest will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Coghinadia Resort near Staunton. Age groups for the Make-It-With-Wool program are 21 and over, 17-21, 14-16 and 10-13. Details are available from the Extension Office.

4-H project materials will be on display during the AES PTA Meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 2. Parents and students attending the PTA Open House will be invited to stop by the AES Library and look over the 4-H projects. This might be an excellent chance for many parents to help their children select suitable 4-H projects to work on during the year.

There are several exhibits from the Five County Fair left in the Appomattox Extension Office. Please stop by and claim your exhibits if you had items in this year's fair. We also picked up the ribbons for Appomattox Exhibitors that were left at the Fair Grounds.

A new series of 4-H Wildlife Project materials has been developed which will be available late this fall. 4-H'ers will find the new projects challenging, as well as educational. We should have these materials by late October.

Advisory committee to meet

The Appomattox County Special Education Advisory Committee will meet Oct. 18 for a tour of all the special education classes. The committee members will meet at the School Board Annex at 9:15 a.m., where transportation will be provided.

Committee members are Mr. Bruce Williams, Mr. Mark Williams, Mrs. Judy Taylor, Mrs. Eva Moore, Mrs. Brenda Richardson, Mrs. Mildred Thompson, Mrs. Cecil Nash, Mrs. Fred Carter, Mrs. Ann Reynolds, Mr. Bob Jamerson, Mrs. Jean Hesson, Mrs. Wayne Shoemaker, Mr. Harrison Weed, Mrs. Nancy Woods, Mrs. Jane Wright, Mrs. Ruby Williamson, Mrs. Henrietta Johnson, Mr. John McLean, Mrs. Gloria Humbles and Mr. Lloyd G. Walton.

This group serves in a capacity of offering recommendations to the Scool Board.

Persons in the community may discuss the Special Education services with members of the committee or School Board Office personnel.

Mr. Robert Jamerson serves as committee chairman.

ASCS Today

By TOM CONRAD

PRODUCER ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED FOR FIRE-CURED AND SUN-CURED TOBACCO- To obtain price supports on 1984 crop fire-cured and sun-cured tobaccos, producers must agree to pay assessments on all marketings for deposit in no net cost accounts.

The assessments, approved by the Commodity Credit Corporation, in consultation with tobacco producer associations, are: 2 cents per pound for fire-cured tobacco; and 2 cents per pound for sun-cured tobacco.

The assessments ensure that the tobacco support program for these types of tobacco will be operated at no net cost to the taxpayer, in conformity with the No Net Cost Tobacco Program Act of 1982.

Producers who do not agree to contribute to the no net cost account will be ineligible for price support and subject to a per pound penalty of 55 cents for type 21 fire-cured tobacco and 99 cents for type 37 sun-cured on all tobacco marketed.

The penalty equals 75 percent of the previous year's marketing price and is the same penalty which applies to the marketing of excess tobacco.

1985 FEED GRAIN PROGRAM ANNOUNCED BY USDA - Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block has announced a 10 percent acreage reduction requirement for participants in the 1985 feed grain program.

Signup period for the feed grain program will be Oct. 15 through March 1. Producers may request 50 percent of their projected 1985 deficiency payments when they sign up.

USDA estimates that per bushel deficiency payment rates will be: corn, 47 cents; sorghum 46 cents; barley, 44 cents; and oats, 0 cents. Advance deficiency payments to eligible farmers will be half these rates.

A producer who accepts an advance payment, but who later does not comply with program provisions, must refund the amount of the advance payment with interest plus liquidated damages.

Price support loan and purchase rates and target prices will be the same as in effect for the 1984 crops.

Loan and purchase rates, per bushel, will be: corn, $2.55; sorghum, $2.42; barley, $2.08; oats, $1.31; rye, $1.60.

Other 1985 feed grain provisions include:

--To be eligible for program benefits, a producer must agree to limit corn, sorghum, oats and barley acreage planted for harvest to no more than 90 percent of the farm's feed grain base and devote to acreage conservation reserve an acreage of elibible cropland equal to 11.11 percent of the planted acreages -- one for corn and sorghum, and one for barley and oats.

--The 1985 acreage base will be the average of the acreage planted and considered planted to feed grains in 1983 and 1984.

--Land designated for the acreage conservation reserve must have been devoted to row crops or small grains in two of the last three years except for a summer fallow farm. In the case of summer fallow, the cropping requirement is for one of the last two years. The land must be protected from wind and water erosion throughout the year.

--Offsetting and cross compliance will not apply to the 1985 program.

--Haying will not be permitted on the acreage conservation reserve land. However, the acreage may be grazed except during the five principal growing months as designated by county ASC committees. Block also approved a standby measure authorizing, in the event of a natural disaster, implementation of emeregy haying and grazing privileges. Approval of the emergency privileges would be made as needed on a county-by-county basis.

--There will be no immediate entry in the farmer-owned reserve for the 1985 crops of feed grains. USDA intends to review the size of the reserve before regular price support loans for the 1985 crops reach maturity. At that time it will be determined whether entry into the reserve will be permitted.

--Contracts signed by program participants will be considered as binding and will provide for liquidated damages for failure to comply with program requirements.

Ruritans will serve stew

The Oakville Ruritans will serve Brunswick Stew at a booth on the backside of the municipal parking lot Saturday, Oct. 13 at the 1984 Railroad Festival in Appomattox.

The club held their September meeting at the Oakville School. Lathan Harvey was in charge of furnishing the meal. Don Jimison presented a slide program on the growth and use of the Holiday Lake 4-H Education Center.

Promise Land news notes

"Serve the Lord today."

The Usher Board will meet on Thursday evening, Sept. 26 at 6:00. We urge all members to attend and extend an invitation to new members to join us.

The Cornerstone Baptist Union will meet at Promise Land Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 30, 1984 at 9:45 a.m.

The Community Chorus will render music on September 30, at 6:00 p.m. for the benefit of Carmenlita Thornton who is running for NAACP Queen. Please come out and give her your support.

A Baptismal Service will be held on Sunday October 14, beginning at 10 a.m. at Promise Land Baptist Church.

The Rev. Albert E. Davis, Sr. and the community choir will render service on Monday, October 8, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Farmville, Virginia.

Ms. Margaretta Flood will be leaving on Saturday for Los Angeles, California for the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandise. We wish her luck and may God be with her.

Register to Vote!

Let us remember the sick and shut-in.

Mt. Zion Church news

A concert and rally is planned for Sunday, September 30 beginning at 12 noon at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Concord.

Singing, preaching and dinner on the grounds are activities planned for the day.

The program is sponsored by Mrs. Gertrude Brown and is for the benefit of the building fund of the church.

The public is invited to attend.

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